GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4484
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MESSAGES VIA CYBERPORN TO JEHADIS
VSM (RETD.) COL. CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Is Lashkar messaging via cyberporn` appearing in `The Hindustan Times` dated February 20, 2001;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to intercept such cyberporn messages to Jehadis operating in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d): The investigation so far conducted into the case referred to in the news-item in question has not revealed that the pornographic material stored in the seized computers was used to transmit any coded messages. However, Delhi Police have initiated steps to re-examine the matter in consultation with computer experts so that appropriate action can be taken.